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Doug Jensen
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Dear Mr. Jensen:

RE: Change in Reclamation Seed Mix, Goldstrike Mine, M/053/005, Washington County, Utah

The Division and the BLM has jointly reviewed your May 20, 1998 request to change the seed mix for reclamation at the Goldstrike Mine. The following changes were found to be acceptable to both agencies and are hereby approved:

1. Reduce the amount of indian ricegrass seed from 4.0 lbs/ac. to 2.0 lbs/ac.,
2. Reduce the amount of palmer penstemon seed from 1.0 lbs/ac. to 0.5 lbs/ac.,
3. Eliminate both cliffrose and serviceberry from the general seed mix. However, it is requested that a couple pounds of this seed be obtained and hand-planted throughout the site. Please call Lynn Kunzler of my staff @ (801) 538-5310 for details of what is expected. It may also possible to obtain a couple pounds of seed through the State Division of Wildlife Resources if none is available commercially. Mr. Kunzler could also help arrange this for you.
4. Add 0.5 lbs/ac. of forage kochia.

These changes to the seed mix reduce the overall seeding rate from 20.0 lbs/ac. to 16.5 lbs/ac.

Thank you for calling to our attention the need to make these changes in a timely manner. Please call if you have additional comments or questions.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Larry Gore, BLM
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